

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Claims 10-21 are pending in the application. Claims 1-9 and 22-28 have been cancelled.

The Specification has been amended.

The Applicant respectfully submits that this application is in condition for allowance. A Notice of Allowance is earnestly solicited.

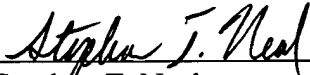
The Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at (408) 975-7500 to discuss any matter concerning this application.

The Office is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees or credit any overpayments under 37 C.F.R. §1.16 or §1.17 to Deposit Account No. **11-0600**.

Respectfully submitted

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